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Applicant: Keiko NERIISHI et al. Conf.: 6258
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For: DNA DETECTION DEVICE

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

January 27, 2003
(Monday)

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed July 26, 2002, the period for response having been extended three months to expire on January 26, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Twice Amended) A process for detecting a complementary DNA fragment which comprises the steps of:

bringing single-stranded sample DNA fragments having a radioactive label in a liquid phase into contact with a DNA micro-array having a support and at least two defined areas in each of which a group of probe compounds selected from the group